AARON QUIGLEY.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 536.]

March 30, 1860.

Mr. Stokes, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Aaron Quigley, report:

That they have examined the proofs in the case, from which it appears that the petitioner entered the naval service, at New Orleans, May 18, 1853, on ship "Columbia," Captain Wilson commander, as a seaman, and while in the line of his duty received a severe wound in the right hand, nearly severing the fore and middle fingers. Surgeon Sharp testifies that he received the injury while in the line of his duty. The proofs show that he applied for and received a pension, at the rate of \$4 50 per month, from the completion of the proof. The Commissioner decided he could not go back to the date of the injury, according to law. The surgeon certifies to three-fourths disability. The petitioner represents and testifies that he employed several agents to procure his pension soon after receiving the wound; they not understanding how to proceed, and he poor and crippled, and ignorant himself as to how to proceed, was the cause of delay. Your committee recommend that a bill be passed granting him back pay, at the rate of \$4 50 per month, from the 10th April, 1855, to the commencement of his present pension, and they report a bill accordingly.